- 1 (Original). A method of making a low-loss electromagnetic wave resonator structure 1 comprising: 2 providing a resonator structure, said resonator structure including a confining device 3 4 and a surrounding medium, said resonator structure supporting at least one resonant mode, said resonant mode displaying a near-field pattern in the vicinity of said confining device and a far-5 field radiation pattern away from said confining device, said surrounding medium supporting at 6 least one radiation channel into which said resonant mode can couple; and 7 8 specifically configuring said resonator structure to reduce or eliminate radiation loss from said resonant mode into at least one of said radiation channels, while keeping the 9
- 2 (Original). The method of claim 1, wherein said step of configuring comprises a modification of said far-field pattern.

characteristics of the near-field pattern substantially unchanged.

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- 3 (Original). The method of claim 1, wherein said step of configuring comprises a modification of the geometry or refractive index of said confining device.
- 4 (Original). The method of claim 3, wherein said modification has at least one plane of symmetry.
- 5 (Original). The method of claim 3, wherein said modification has no plane of symmetry.
- 6 (Original). The method of claim 1, wherein said step of configuring comprises an introduction of at least one nodal plane into said far-field pattern.

- 7 (Original). The method of claim 1, wherein said confining device operates using
- 2 index confinement effects, photonic crystal band gap effects, or a combination of both.
- 8 (Original). The method of claim 1, wherein said surrounding medium is
- 2 homogeneous.
- 9 (Original). The method of claim 1, wherein said surrounding medium is
- 2 inhomogeneous.
- 10 (Original). The method of claim 1, wherein said radiation channels comprise
- 2 superpositions of at least one spherical wave.
- 1 (Original). The method of claim 1, wherein said radiation channels comprise
- 2 superpositions of at least one cylindrical wave.
- 12 (Original). The method of claim 1, wherein said confining device comprises a
- 2 waveguide with a grating where said grating contains at least one defect.
- 1 13 (Original). The method of claim 12, wherein said step of configuring comprises
- 2 modifying the dielectric constant of the grating.
- 14 (Original). The method of claim 12, wherein said step of configuring comprises
- 2 modification of the local phase shift.
- 1 15 (Original). The method of claim 1, wherein said confining device comprises a
- 2 waveguide microcavity.

- 16 (Original). The method of claim 1, wherein said confining device comprises a 1 photonic crystal slab. 2 17 (Original). The method of claim 1, wherein said confining device comprises a disk 1 2 resonator. 18 (Original). The method of claim 1, wherein said confining device comprises a ring 1 2 resonator. 19 (Original). A method of making a low-loss electromagnetic wave resonator 1 structure comprising: 2 providing a resonator structure, said resonator structure including a confining device 3 and a surrounding medium, said resonator structure supporting at least one resonant mode, said 4 resonant mode displaying a near-field pattern in the vicinity of said confining device and a far-5 field radiation pattern away from said confining device, said surrounding medium supporting at 6 least one radiation channel into which said resonant mode can couple; and 7 specifically configuring said resonator structure to increase radiation loss from said 8 9 resonant mode into at least one of said radiation channels, while keeping the characteristics of the near-field pattern substantially unchanged. 10 20 (Original). The method of claim 19, wherein said radiation channel comprises of 1 one or more spatial directions. 2
- 21 (Original). A method of making a low-loss acoustic wave resonator structure comprising:

- providing a resonator structure, said resonator structure including a confining device
- 4 and a surrounding medium, said resonator structure supporting at least one resonant mode, said
- 5 resonant mode displaying a near-field pattern in the vicinity of said confining device and a far-
- 6 field radiation pattern away from said confining device, said surrounding medium supporting at
- 7 least one radiation channel into which said resonant mode can couple; and
- 8 specifically configuring said resonator structure to reduce or eliminate radiation loss
- 9 from said resonant mode into at least one of said radiation channels, while keeping the
- characteristics of the near-field pattern substantially unchanged.
- 22 (Original). A method of designing a low-loss electronic wave resonator structure
- 2 comprising:
- providing a resonator structure, said resonator structure including a confining device
- 4 and a surrounding medium, said resonator structure supporting at least one resonant mode, said
- 5 resonant mode displaying a near-field pattern in the vicinity of said confining device and a far-
- 6 field radiation pattern away from said confining device, said surrounding medium supporting at
- 7 least one radiation channel into which said resonant mode can couple; and
- specifically configuring said resonator structure to reduce or eliminate radiation loss
- 9 from said resonant mode into at least one of said radiation channels, while keeping the
- 10 characteristics of the near-field pattern substantially unchanged.
- 23 (Original). A method of making a low-loss acoustic wave resonator structure
- 2 comprising:
- providing a resonator structure, said resonator structure including a confining device
- and a surrounding medium, said resonator structure supporting at least-one resonant mode, said

- 5 resonant mode displaying a near-field pattern in the vicinity of said confining device and a far-
- 6 field radiation pattern away from said confining device, said surrounding medium supporting at
- 7 least one radiation channel into which said resonant mode can couple; and
- specifically configuring said resonator structure to increase radiation loss from said
- 9 resonant mode into at least one of said radiation channels, while keeping the characteristics of
- the near-field pattern substantially unchanged.
- 24 (Original). The method of claim 23, wherein said radiation channel comprises of one
- 2 or more spatial directions.
- 25 (Original). A method of making a low-loss electronic wave resonator structure
- 2 comprising:
- providing a resonator structure, said resonator structure including a confining device
- 4 and a surrounding medium, said resonator structure supporting at least one resonant mode, said
- 5 resonant mode displaying a near-field pattern in the vicinity of said confining device and a far-
- 6 field radiation pattern away from said confining device, said surrounding medium supporting at
- 7 least one radiation channel into which said resonant mode can couple; and
- specifically configuring said resonator structure to increase radiation loss from said
- 9 resonant mode into at least one of said radiation channels, while keeping the characteristics of
- the near-field pattern substantially unchanged.
- 26 (Original). The method of claim 25, wherein said radiation channel comprises of
- 2 one or more spatial directions.